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## UTAH BULLETIN NO. UT300-08-09

SUBJECT: STATUTORILY EXPIRED EQIP CONTRACTS

**Purpose.** To advise ASTC-FO's of actions needed on EQIP contracts that have reached the 10 year maximum contract length expiration date.

**Expiration Date.** December 31, 2007

## **ACTION REQUIRED BY: DECEMBER 21, 2007**

**Background.** The 1996 Farm Bill authorized EQIP contracts with a maximum duration of 10 years. As a result, any participant contracts obligated before October 1, 1998, reached this statutory limit on September 30, 2007.

Immediate action is needed by each ASTC-FO to terminate EQIP contracts that have exceeded the 10-year maximum contract length. The list of contracts requiring termination is attached. All contract terminations must follow the guidance contained in the Conservation Programs Manual, Part 512.57.

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